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Federal Public Assistance Approved for 15 Indiana Counties

INDIANAPOLIS (March 5, 2009) -- Governor Mitch Daniels has received word that President Barack Obama has approved 15 counties for federal public assistance for damage sustained by severe weather that began January 26.

The Indiana counties approved for federal public assistance are Clark, Crawford, Dubois, Floyd, Gibson, Harrison, Jackson, Jefferson, Orange, Perry, Spencer, Switzerland, Vanderburgh, Warrick and Washington.

Public assistance means state government and local governments and certain non-profit organizations in these counties are eligible to apply for federal assistance to pay 75 percent of the approved cost of debris removal, emergency services related to the disaster and repairing or replacing damaged public facilities, such as roads, buildings and electrical cooperatives.

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